

**CLAIMS**

1. A safety device for holding a container while extracting liquid contents therefrom with a syringe, comprising:

5 a first elongated arm having a first end and a second end; and  
a second elongated arm having a first end and a second end; wherein:

the first elongated arm is movably attached to the second elongated arm for  
enabling said arms to be moved between an open orientation and a closed  
orientation; and

10 mating portions of said arms jointly define at least one container receiving  
receptacle positioned between said ends when said arms are in the closed  
orientation.

2. The safety device of claim 1 wherein said arms are pivotally attached to each other at said  
15 first ends for enabling said arms to be pivoted between the open orientation and the closed  
orientation.

3. The safety device of claim 1 wherein said arms jointly define a plurality of different size  
container receiving receptacles positioned between said ends when said arms are in the  
20 closed orientation.

4. The safety device of claim 1 wherein at least one container receptacle includes a side wall  
and a rear wall.

25 5. The safety device of claim 4 wherein the rear wall is comprised entirely by one of said  
arms.

6. The safety device of claim 4 wherein the side wall is a semi-circular side wall.

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7. The safety device of claim 1 wherein one of said mating portions include a compliant member that at least partially defines a side wall of said at least one container receiving receptacle.

5 8. The safety device of claim 7 wherein the compliant member is removably mounted on one of said arms.

9. The safety device of claim 7 wherein the side wall is a semi-circular side wall.

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10. A safety device for holding a container while extracting a liquid contents therefrom with a syringe, comprising:

a pair of elongated arms each including a first end, a second end and a first size container receiving recess positioned between the first and second ends; and

5 means connected to each one of said arms adjacent the first end for enabling said arms to be moved between an open orientation and a closed orientation;

wherein the first size container receiving recess of each one of said arms jointly define a first size container receiving receptacle when said arms are in the closed orientation.

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11. The safety device of claim 10 wherein said means is a hinge arrangement for enabling said arms to be moved between the open and closed orientations.

12. The safety device of claim 10 wherein:

15 each one of said arms further includes a second size container receiving recess positioned adjacent to the first size container receiving recess; and the second size container receiving recess of each one of said arms jointly define a second size container receiving receptacle different than the first size container receiving receptacle when said arms are in the closed orientation.

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13. The safety device of claim 10 wherein:

the first size container receiving recess of each one of said arms includes a side wall; and the first size container receiving recess of one of said arms includes a rear wall.

25 14. The safety device of claim 10 wherein the first size container receiving recess of one of said arms includes a side wall comprised at least partially by a compliant member.

15. The safety device of claim 14 wherein the compliant member is removably mounted on said one arm.

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16. The safety device of claim 14 wherein the side wall is a semi-circular side wall.

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17. A safety device for holding a container while extracting a liquid contents therefrom with a syringe, comprising:

a pair of elongated arms each including a first end, a second end and a plurality of different size container receiving recesses positioned between the first and second ends; and

a hinge arrangement disposed between said arms adjacent the first ends of said arms thereby enabling said arms to be moved between an open orientation and a closed orientation;

wherein said different size container receiving recesses of each one of said arms jointly define respective size container receiving receptacles when said arms are in the closed orientation.

18. The safety device of claim 17 wherein:

each one of said different size container receiving recesses includes a semi-circular side wall; and

each one of said different size container receiving recesses of one of said arms includes a rear wall.

19. The safety device of claim 17 wherein each one of said different size container receiving recesses of one of said arms includes a semi-circular side wall comprised at least partially by a compliant member.

20. The safety device of claim 19 wherein the compliant member is removably mounted on said one arm.

21. The safety device of claim 20 wherein:

each one of said different size container receiving recesses of said one arm includes a rear wall.